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SUBJ: SHRIMPING OFF FRENCH GUIANA

REF: STATE 156868 (NOTAL)

1. APPLICATIONS FOR FRENCH GUIANA SHRIMPING LICENSES (REFTEL) WERE DELIVERED TO EC COMMISSION FISHERY OFFICIAL VON WULLERSTORFF JUNE 23, ALONG WITH COVERING DIPLOMATIC NOTE. VON WULLERSTORFF INDICATED THAT, IN KEEPING WITH PAST PROCEDURE, HE WOULD ASK FRENCH TO TRANSMIT APPROVED LICENSES DIRECTLY TO CAYENNE AUTHORITIES FOR PICKUP BY VESSEL MASTERS.

2. VON WULLERSTORFF NOTED THAT, WHILE CURRENT APPLICA-
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TION INCLUDES ONLY 61 VESSELS, EC COUNCIL REGULATION ALLOWS 68 LICENSES FOR U.S. VESSELS LANDING CATCHES IN CAYENNE; HE ASKED IF U.S. SHRIMPING INDUSTRY INTENDS TO REQUEST THE SEVEN ADDITIONAL LICENSES. IN ABSENCE OF DEPARTMENT INSTRUCTIONS, MISSION OFFICER RESPONDED THAT, WHILE MISSION IS NOT AWARE OF STATUS OF INDUSTRY DELIBERA-TIONS ON THIS MATTER, ADDITIONAL REQUESTS MIGHT BE

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FORTHCOMING.

3. MISSION COMMENT AND ACTION REQUESTED: AFTER EIGHTEEN MONTHS OF PUSHING COMMUNITY TO RELAX RESTRICTIONS ON U.S. SHRIMPING ACTIVITY IN FRENCH GUIANA WATERS, INDUSTRY DECISION TO SEEK LESS THAN THE TOTAL NUMBER OF AVAILABLE LICENSES STRIKES US AS A POTENTIALLY WEAKENING FACTOR IN FUTURE EFFORTS TO MAINTAIN MAXIMUM U.S. ACCESS TO FRENCH GUIANA SHRIMP RESOURCES. WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S GUIDANCE ON RESPONDING TO COMMISSION'S QUESTION IN PARA 2 ON THIS POINT. IN VIEW OF INDUSTRY DESIRE (REFTEL) TO BEGIN SHRIMPING UNDER FISHING PLAN BY NON-CAYENNE BASED VESSELS ON JULY 15, WE ALSO URGE SUBMISSION OF LICENSE REQUESTS IN THAT CATEGORY ASAP (AND BY JUNE 30, AT THE LATEST), TO ALLOW ADEQUATE TIME FOR ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESSING. HINTON

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